GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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RURAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telephone exchanges out of order in Bihar particularly in Bettiah at present, district-wise alongwith the reasons therefor; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to make them functional?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) All exchanges numbering 869 in Bihar are working alright except 5 exchanges which are locally OK, but media is out of order. Details are given as under:

Sl .No.	Name of district	Number of exchanges where media is out of order
1.	Nawada	2
2.	West Champaran(Bettiah)	1
3.	Jamui	1
4.	Kaimur	1
	Total	5

(b) Work is in progress to provide reliable transmission media to these places.